## COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

#### **FISCAL NOTE**

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 0856-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 364

Subject: Medicaid; Social Services Department; Health Care

Type: Original

Date: February 11, 2015

Bill Summary: This proposal authorizes certain licensed social workers and counselors to

provide behavioral health services in the MO HealthNet program.

# **FISCAL SUMMARY**

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND        |         |         |         |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| FUND AFFECTED                                       | FY 2016 | FY 2017 | FY 2018 |  |
|                                                     |         |         |         |  |
| Total Estimated<br>Net Effect on<br>General Revenue | \$0     | \$0     | \$0     |  |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS             |         |         |         |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| FUND AFFECTED                                         | FY 2016 | FY 2017 | FY 2018 |  |
|                                                       |         |         |         |  |
|                                                       |         |         |         |  |
| Total Estimated<br>Net Effect on Other<br>State Funds | \$0     | \$0     | \$0     |  |

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

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| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS                        |         |         |         |  |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| FUND AFFECTED                                                | FY 2016 | FY 2017 | FY 2018 |  |
|                                                              |         |         |         |  |
|                                                              |         |         |         |  |
| Total Estimated<br>Net Effect on <u>All</u><br>Federal Funds | \$0     | \$0     | \$0     |  |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) |         |         |         |  |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| FUND AFFECTED                                      | FY 2016 | FY 2017 | FY 2018 |  |
|                                                    |         |         |         |  |
|                                                    |         |         |         |  |
| Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE                  | 0       | 0       | 0       |  |

Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS |         |         |         |  |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| FUND AFFECTED                       | FY 2016 | FY 2017 | FY 2018 |  |
| <b>Local Government</b>             | \$0     | \$0     | \$0     |  |

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#### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Social Services**, **MO Healthnet Division (MHD)** and **Division of Legal Services (DLS)** each assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies. The MHD provides that the MO HealthNet Managed Care Program currently requires health plans to provide behavioral health services, so there is no fiscal impact for that requirement.

DLS states that MHD has a behavioral health program which encompasses services that a licensed counselor or social worker would be qualified to provide. However, the behavioral health services program overseen by MHD also includes mental health services. Examples of those services are psychology- and psychiatry-related services which would require licensed psychologists and psychiatrists to provide but which a licensed social worker or counselor would not be qualified to provide.

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services** and **Department of Mental Health** each assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

| FISCAL IMPACT - State Government | FY 2016<br>(10 Mo.) | FY 2017    | FY 2018    |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|------------|------------|
|                                  | <u>\$0</u>          | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |
| FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government | FY 2016<br>(10 Mo.) | FY 2017    | FY 2018    |
|                                  | <b>\$0</b>          | <b>\$0</b> | \$0        |

## FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Small business health care providers could have a positive impact if they participate in the MO HealthNet Program.

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### **FISCAL DESCRIPTION**

The proposed legislation appears to have no direct fiscal impact.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Health and Senior Services
Department of Mental Health
Department of Social Services MO HealthNet Division
Division of Legal Services

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